

Kilmore Parish

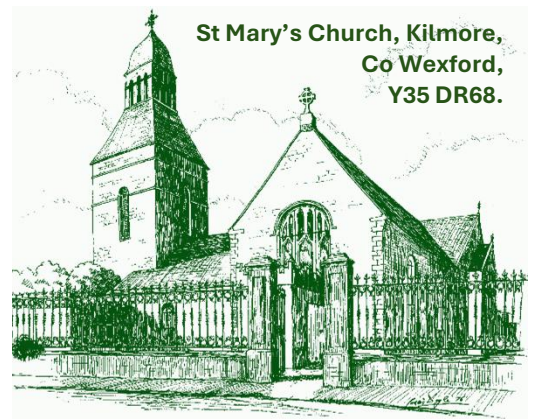
weekly Newsletter

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Parish Website: www.kilmoreparish.com for all parish information.

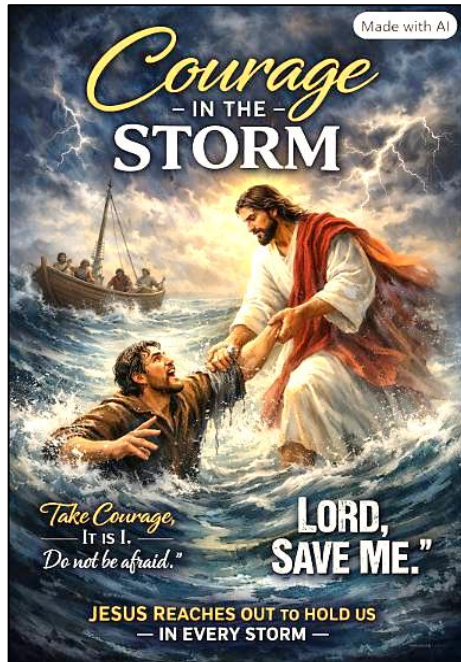
Newsletter for the weekend of 8-9 August 2026.



Parish notices

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Readings for this Sunday- First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9,11-13 Psalm 84(85):9-14. Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5.

Reflection on the Gospel



Today's Gospel shows the disciples caught in a storm, afraid and struggling. In the middle of their fear, Jesus comes toward them across the water and speaks the words every heart needs: "Courage! It is I. Do not be afraid."

Peter steps out of the boat with great faith, but when the wind rises, fear rises too. He begins to sink and cries out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reaches out and holds him. That moment is the heart of the Gospel: God meets us not when we are perfect, but when we are sinking. We all face storms — illness, worry, grief, uncertainty. Like Peter, we start bravely, but life can shake us. The message today is simple: faith isn't about having everything under control. It's about trusting the One who comes close in every storm and reaches out His hand.

When Jesus gets into the boat, the wind dies down, and the disciples recognise Him: "Truly, you are the Son of God." Often our deepest faith grows from the moments when we realise we were held.

This week, maybe Jesus is inviting us to take one small step out of the boat — toward courage, forgiveness, prayer, or someone who needs support. And if the wind rises, we remember: He is already reaching out.

Weekend Masses and Anniversaries

Saturday: 6.00pm Kilmore Quay

✠ Aug 8th: We pray for the soul of **Mairéad Richards**, Dublin, on this her birthday anniversary. We pray for the soul of **Jackie Connick**, Kilmore Quay, who died last weekend, may he Rest in Peace. Sympathy to his family and friends. We pray for the soul of **Susan Walsh**, funeral service Sunday at 1.30pm in St Peter's Church, burial in St Mary's Cemetery.

✠ Aug 15th: We pray for suitable weather for the farming and fishing communities.

Saturday: 7.30pm Tomhaggard

✠ Aug 8th: We pray for the soul of **Teresa Newport**, Tomhaggard, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the souls of **Jane, Jean-Pierre and Anne Sortais**, whose anniversaries occur now.

✠ Aug 15th: We pray for the souls of **Tom and Mary Kehoe**, Tenacre, whose anniversaries occur now. We pray for the soul of **Margaret (Mona) Whelan**, Ballyregan, whose 9th anniversary occurs now.

Sunday: 10.00am Kilmore

✠ Aug 9th: We pray for the soul of **Pádraig Flynn**, The Hill, whose 1st anniversary occurs now. We also pray for the soul of **Pat Creevey**, Grange, whose 3rd anniversary occurs now. We also pray for the souls of **Pete and Annie Doyle**, Ballyharty, whose anniversary occurs now.

✠ Aug 16th: We pray for the soul of **Nóra Stafford**, Ballygrangans, whose 3rd anniversary occurs now and we also pray for the soul of **Jimmy Barry**, Ballyharty, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the souls of **Mary and Richard Kehoe**, Ballycross, whose anniversaries occur now. We pray for the soul of **Joe Moore**, Ballyteigue, whose anniversary occurs now.

Sunday: 11.30am Mulrankin

✠ Aug 9th: We pray for the soul of **Clare Moore**, who died during the week, sympathy to Dwight, her extended family and friends. May she Rest in Peace.

Reader: Mary Kehoe.

✠ Aug 16th: We pray for the soul of **Anne Boswald** (née Mernagh), Germany and Ballylibernagh, whose 10th anniversary occurs now.

Reader: Mary O'Brien.



TheWay.ie is a new platform

TheWay.ie is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the 'Good News' and the witness of the Catholic

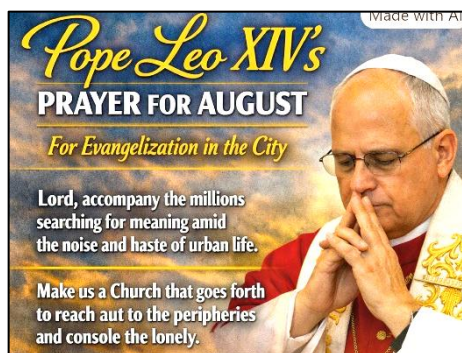


Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Use the QR code to access the site.

Parish Newsletter

Our newsletter is available on the parish website each week at www.kilmoreparish.com. Please take home a copy home to a house-bound neighbour so that he/she feels connected to the parish.





Pope Leo XIV's August prayer intention: his focus is "for evangelization in the city." It highlights the Pope's call for Catholics to bring the Gospel into urban life — through compassion, dialogue, and witness amid modern challenges. The piece explains that city environments, though busy and diverse, are fertile ground for faith outreach and community renewal. It encourages believers to pray for those working in urban ministry and to see cities as places where hope and faith can flourish. See the video on the parish website at www.kilmoreparish.com.

Annual Pilgrimage to the Island

This year our Parish Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island will take place on Friday the 4th of September at 3pm. There will be no 10am mass that morning in the parish. This year we are teaming up with Piercestown Parish once again and we invite any members of the choir to join us on the day to help us celebrate our annual Pilgrimage to the Island every year. Mass for the 15th of August will be at 3 pm in Our Lady's Island with Bishop Ger followed by the Rosary procession. In the Parish, we will have Mass at 6 pm in Kilmore

Quay and at 7:30 pm in Tomhaggard.

Mass online and via the parish radio

To access Mass on the parish website, go to www.kilmoreparish.com. The webcam goes live 15 minutes before Mass. To access Mass on the parish radio, tune in to 103.90FM.

Requests for Anniversary Masses

All requests for anniversary masses must be made to the parish office. The office is open Tuesday to Friday between 10.30am and 12.30pm. We cannot accept any requests that are left on the answering machine in accordance with GDPR.

Child Protection Services

To seek support or advice, or to report any concerns you may have with regard to child protection matters, please contact any the following parish safe-guarding officers: Paul: 087 774 5546 (Kilmore area), Pat 087 278 5156 (Tomhaggard/Mulrankin area) and John 087 914 8009 (Kilmore Quay area).

Community notices

Seafood Festival '26

Wow, another great festival. The Festival Committee sends out a huge thank you to all helped in any way to create another successful community event. To all our amazing volunteers who give so much to ensure the great experience for all and to Bernie and all of our staff for their fantastic work. We also thank our sponsors who help make it happen. A special thanks to Fáilte Ireland who came onboard this year.

Meals on Wheels fundraiser success

Tomhaggard Clean Coasts Group would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to our Coastal Connections Festival this year. Not only did we raise awareness about the work of Clean Coasts, other local environmental organizations, and our own group but we also raised €2283.82 for our local Meals on Wheels service.

Parish Meals on Wheels

Throughout our busy summer period the service continues to support those who look forward to this great community service. If you know of anybody in your local area who might benefit with a meal service please contact Bernie at 053 912 9922. Many thanks to the volunteers who assist the service.

Ballycogley Players Drama Group

We were delighted to take part in variety concerts as part of the Tomhaggard Novena Festival and The Leo Carthy weekend recently. The audiences were treated to evenings of song and comedy and were thoroughly enjoyed by all. Congratulations to

both organising committees, their invitation to take part every year is very much appreciated and we are looking forward to next year already.

"Not Now Darling" by Ray Cooney and John Chapman is the chosen play for the 2027 drama circuit and we are delighted that Fr Pat Mernagh will take on the role of director. Auditions have taken place and the cast will be announced very soon. As always, keep an eye on our Facebook page for all things drama!



Centre Community Café

Don't forget to book your table for breakfast or lunch at the Stella Maris Centre and contact Bernie at 053 912 9922. Great menu. Take away meals and platters of sandwiches available for all your occasions.

Community Lotto results

The numbers drawn in this week's Lotto were 3, 4, 26, and 28. There were no match-three winners and there was no jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot stands at €12,600.

Expression of Interest?

Kilmore SCOPE Group is currently seeking expressions of interest for a Paediatric First Aid Training Course, which we hope to hold at The AOH Hall, Bridgetown. If you are interested, please call into The AOH Hall, Bridgetown, Monday to Wednesday, 9.00am-4.00pm, to leave your name and contact number. The course will only proceed if sufficient interest is received.

Next newsletter

Items for publication in next weekend's 'Community notices' are very welcome and should be submitted before 12 noon on Friday to kilmore-newsletter@gmail.com.

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Mon 10th - Fri 14th Aug | 10am - 1pm

Kilmore Village Community Hall

Contact Ruth: 087 754 0015
ruth@creativesound.ie